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COUNTRY Germany (Polish occupied) 25X1 REPORT NO. [redacted]

TOPIC Schweidnitz Airfield

EVALUATION [redacted] 25X1 PLACE OBTAINED [redacted] 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT Late September 1950 25X1

DATE OBTAINED [redacted] DATE PREPARED 29 November 1950

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1. The airfield on the northeastern perimeter of Schweidnitz (P 51/H 18) was observed in late September 1950. It was about 2 1/2 x 3 km. Six large wooden sheds and numerous temporary buildings were seen. (1)
2. The field was occupied by Soviet Air Force troops who wore black-bordered light blue epauletts. Some soldiers were quartered in the temporary buildings at the field but most of them were in a large barracks block on the western perimeter of the town, along the Schweidnitz-Hirschberg (O 51/G 68) road. The barracks seemed to be heavily occupied. Many air force soldiers were seen in the town. (2)

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3. [redacted]
4. Three twin-engine low-wing monoplanes with radial engines were seen from the Schweidnitz-Breslau road. (4) More aircraft were possibly parked in the wooden sheds or in the southern section of the field since, according to local residents, the field was heavily occupied.

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Comments.

- (1) The size of the field is over-estimated. At the end of the war it was about 200 x 1,200 meters. Information on expansion work by the Soviets has not been received. The wooden sheds are wooden hangars. The information that there were six hangars agrees with a previous report. [redacted]
- (2) The information that Soviet Air Force troops occupied the field and that part of the soldiers were quartered in the town was last received one year ago.
- (3) [redacted]
- (4) The few technical details of the aircraft type observed do not indicate the type of the unit. The description is that of bombers and transports.

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